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Commissioner of Patents
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Re:

Patent Application Ser. No. 08/983,332, filed 3/5/98

CIRCUIT APPARATUS AND CONFIGURATION FOR

REFRIGERATOR SYSTEMS

Docket No. ZI056/96001

Dear Sir:

Enclosed are:

- 1. Transmittal letter;
- 2. Status Inquiry and Request for Decision on Petition;
- 3. Certificate Under 37 CFR 1.8(a);
- 4. Copy of Status Inquiry dated September 23, 2002;
- 5. Copy of return postcard date stamped by PTO Sept. 30, 2002;
- 6. Copy of Petition to Withdraw Holding of Abandonment Based On Failure to Receive Office Action and related papers, dated June 19, 2000;
- 7. Copy of return postcard date stamped by PTO June 19, 2000;
- 8. Statement Under 37 CFR 3.73(b);
- 9. Power of Attorney and Correspondence Address Indication Form;
- 10. Recordation Form Cover Sheet, authorizing \$40 fee to be charged to deposit account;
- 11. Assignment of Patent Rights (from Ice One, Inc. to Tube Ice, LLC);
- 12. Return receipt post card

Respectfully submit

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In re Applicant:	§ RECE!
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Filed: March 5, 1998	§ Art Unit: 3744 :TECHNOLOGY CENTER R3700
Serial No. 08/983,332	§ Examiner: Shulman, M.
For: CIRCUIT APPARATUS AND	§ Attorney Docket No.: A02221US
CONFIGURATION FOR	§
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STATUS INQUIRY REQUEST FOR DECISION ON PETITION

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Dear Sir:

This office has recently taken over the responsibility for prosecution of the above identified application. Review of the file reflects that a Petition to Withdraw a Holding Of Abandonment was filed June 19, 2000 by counsel holding the Power of Attorney of Applicant, and there is no indication in the file that Applicant received any action on the Petition. The undersigned is supplying a copy of that Petition and the related papers.

On or about September 23, 2002, new counsel assumed the responsibility for prosecution of the identified application and on September 23, 2002 filed a Status Inquiry for the application. It is not clear whether the attorney included a copy of the Petition with the Status Inquiry. A copy of the Status Inquiry is enclosed.

The undersigned is today filing with this request a Power of Attorney executed by Assignee of the present application, and advises that a copy of the assignment of the application by the original Applicant (the inventor) to the Assignee (Ice One, Inc.) was recorded at Reel 9340/Frame 0295. A

subsequent assignment from Ice One, Inc. to Tube Ice, LLC is concurrently being filed for recording at the Patent Office.

If the Examiner feels that a telephone conference with Applicant's attorney would advance the prosecution of the application, he is invited to call the undersigned at 901-537-1108.

Respectfully submitted,

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Petition to Withdraw Holding of Abandonment

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Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231 Sir:

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Our office recently took over the above-identified file in 2001. In a routine check, we find that we have not received any U.S. Patent and Trademark Office communication or response to the Petition to Withdraw the Holding of Abandonment. We are concerned with the possibility that an Office Action was issued and possibly misplaced or lost in the mail. Kindly check your files and let us know the status of this case. If any Action has been issued, it would be appreciated if an additional copy could be sent to the undersigned, or advise when we can expect to receive an Action.

Respectfully submitted,

WOOD, HERRON & EVANS, L.L.P.

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